THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) The excess of earnings over the proportionate budgetary provision during the first nine months of 2004-04 is Rs. 1088.56 crore.

(b) The Ordinary Working Expenses during the above period are Rs. 25110.96 crore.

(c) The Ordinary Working Expenses during 2002-03 and 2003-04 were Rs. 29684.34 and Rs. 30636.57 crore respectively.

(d) and (e) The estimated excess (after dividend payment to General Revenue) during the current financial year is likely to Rs. 1724.80 crore as per the Revised Estimates as against the Budget Estimate of Rs. 873 crore.

Rail Roko agitation in Orissa

599. SHRI PYARIMOHAN MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a Rail Roke agitation at Talcher Railway Station in Orissa in the recent past against continuous neglect of the station and other issues;

(b) if so, the details of their demands; and

(c) the steps undertaken, so far to meet their demands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) There has been no Rail Roko agitation at Talcher against neglect of the station during the last one year.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Support of Railway Police to KRC

600. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Konkan Railway Corporation does not have the support of Government Railway Police to provide protection to its property, rolling stock and passengers;